

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Gifted educators make a lasting impact on the future of South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, Dr. James M. Booher has served the state of South Dakota for 38 years as a professor and Director of Athletic Training in the South Dakota State University Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation; and,

*Whereas*, Dr. Booher has worked his entire career to advance the standards and profession of academic trainers, was one of the founders and charter members of the South Dakota Athletic Trainers Association, a member of the National Athletic Trainers Association Board of Directors, and an evaluation team member for CAAHEP Accreditation; and,

*Whereas*, Dr. Booher co-authored the original licensure bill for South Dakota athletic trainers, and testified before House and Senate committees concerning the bill; and,

*Whereas*, Dr. Booher is a member of the Hall of Fame of the National Athletic Trainers Association and the Hall of Fame of the South Dakota Athletic Trainers Association, and he received the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award from the National Athletic Trainers Association in 1994; and,

*Whereas*, Dr. Booher is the author and co-author of two textbooks on athletic injury assessment and prevention, and was the program director of South Dakota's first CAAHEP accredited athletic training education program; and,

*Whereas*, Dr. Booher's dedicated efforts as a teacher, advisor, mentor and counselor have substantially contributed to the quality of athletic training and higher education, and helped improve the quality of life for the people of South Dakota; and,

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 4, 2006, as

*DR. JAMES M. BOOHER DAY*

in South Dakota.



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Ninth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State